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Delivery Order #02-011  
Contract #68R90003

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As you know, we recently issued the subject delivery order (DO) for the preparation of habitat surveys for two threatened plant species at various NPL sites in New Jersey. Through our review of the draft DO work plan, it has come to our attention that EcolSciences, Inc., Gannett Fleming's subcontractor, has previously performed wetlands assessment and endangered species site work at one of these sites, (i.e., the Dayco/L.E. Carpenter site). Evidently, this work was performed through the prime contractor for the potentially responsible party.

Therefore, because of the potential for problems of conflict of interest and duplication of effort to arise, we believe that it is inappropriate for EcolSciences, Inc. to perform additional endangered species work at the Dayco/L. E. Carpenter site for EPA. Accordingly, we would greatly appreciate your processing the appropriate paperwork to delete this site from the scope of work for DO #02-011. The other eight sites listed in the scope of work for this project remain unchanged.

If you have any questions, please call Joanne Arenwald of my staff at x6718.

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